# November 2004 Marine Mammal and Turtle Incidental Take Report

Observers in the Northeast Fisheries Observer Program (NEFOP) collect these data using standardized protocols. When the data are received, NEFSC staff verifies the identification and condition of the animals through the observer descriptions, biological samples collected and photographs. If the identification of an animal is in question, the DNA sample is analyzed to determine the species. However, the data used in this report is obtained from the observer program's OBSCON tables and is considered preliminary data as many of the database checks and audits have not yet been completed.

The following observed trips were completed during the month of November, 2004: 192 Anchored Sink Gillnet, 13 Drift Sink Gillnet, 163 Bottom Otter Trawl (fish), 4 Bottom Otter Trawl (scallop), 26 Scallop Dredge, 2 Midwater Otter Trawl, 16 Midwater Paired Otter Trawl, 1 Handline, 2 Clam Dredge, 40 Bottom Longline, 1 Scottish Seine, 3 Purse Seine and 17 Closed Area Scallop. There were 3 aborted trips. The following takes were observed:

| Trip Type | Trip ID* | Date Landed | Number of Takes | Species | Disposition |
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| BOT 050 | D45016- | 11/11/2004 | 1 | atlantic white-sided dolphin | dead, severely decomposed |
| BOT 050 | D50009- | 11/8/2004 | 1 | common dolphin | dead, fresh |
| BOT 050 | D50009- | 11/8/2004 | 1 | common dolphin | dead, fresh |
| BOT 050 | D50009- | 11/8/2004 | 1 | common dolphin | dead, fresh |
| ASG 100 | D70006C | 11/4/2004 | 1 | harbor seal | dead, fresh |
| ASG 100 | D74004C | 11/30/2004 | 1 | harbor seal | dead, fresh |
| ASG 100 | D89001C | 11/7/2004 | 1 | harbor porpoise | dead, severely decomposed |
| ASG 100 | D93001C | 11/12/2004 | 1 | gray seal | dead, fresh |
| ASG 100 | D96001C | 11/10/2004 | 1 | leatherback turtle | dead, severely decomposed |
| BOT 050 | C85026- | 11/3/2004 | 1 | pilot whale, nk | dead, severely decomposed |
| BOT 050 | C85026- | 11/3/2004 | 1 | whale, nk | dead, condition unknown |
| BOT 050 | C85026- | 11/3/2004 | 1 | whale, nk | dead, moderately decomposed |

*"C" signifies a complete fish data collection trip (all hauls were observed for complete catch data); "-" signifies all other trips.

ASG = Anchored Sink Gillnet, BOT = Bottom Otter Trawl